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I was disappointed with the incomplete EIR report for the following reasons:

* The EIR assumed that the noise ordinance will limit the number of flights that can fly to 41 commercial and 25 commuter flights per day. The noise ordinance does not restrict the number of flights and right now aircraft on runway 30 almost always turn left early out of the scheduled take-off pattern. I assume that is to avoid flying over noise ordinance monitors, so there is a great big loophole using pilot discretion to avoid proper noise monitoring. Almost all aircraft departures fly near my house when the Long Beach approved takeoff pattern is over the Virginia golf course and industrial areas.

* The EIR was based on old studies and did not ascertain the environmental difference in expanding the airport by 44,750 sq ft or by more or less or what is the specific impact on homes and schools that lie under the takeoff or landing pattern. In my opinion the only real limitation to the amount of environmental pollution is the size of the airport improvement, as it is too easy to avoid the noise restriction and increase the number of flights.

* I flew 126 combat missions over Vietnam, and as a pilot I am familiar with aircraft takeoff patterns and flying procedures.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment against this EIR.

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